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## **Teck Trail Operations COVID-19 Updated Response Measures**

**Trail, BC** - Teck Trail Operations is sharing information with our local community to ensure you are kept informed of what we are doing to reduce potential health risks related to COVID-19. At Trail Operations, our core value is protecting the health and safety of our employees and the community.

Early this month, we moved quickly to restrict travel and put in place comprehensive measures including enhanced cleaning and disinfecting protocols, eliminating large group meetings, screening contractors and visitors, promoting preventative measures like frequent handwashing, and requiring employees returning from international travel or showing symptoms to self-isolate. We also expanded access to sick leave benefits to support those needing to isolate.

Building on that response, additional safeguards have been implemented including:

- Enhancing cleaning and disinfecting protocols – Custodians are focusing on high-touch point areas including door handles, hand railings, metal surfaces, personnel access gates, etc. These activities are monitored and signed off through daily checklists. Hospital-grade disinfectant solutions are available for use in all meeting rooms, common areas, offices, etc. Everyone is asked to make a conscious effort to assist in cleaning their work areas, including lunchrooms, as break times are staggered.
- Restricting the number of people in plant control rooms and other key areas to support physical distancing.
- Meeting rooms in which critical physical distancing is a challenge have been closed.
- Promoting and educating employees on personal preventative measures – this includes physical distancing, frequent handwashing, handwashing instructions posted in bathrooms, etc.
- Implementing regular checks to ensure everyone is complying with protocols.
- Reducing the number of employees on site, with a number of employees working remotely from home and staggering shifts for others: this has resulted in a 33% reduction in the number of employees on site during a typical Monday to Friday dayshift.

We continue to work with our union partners and follow the guidance of government and public health authorities, and will adapt our response as necessary as this situation continues to evolve.

Some have asked why we continue to operate. The fact is mining is a critical part of the global response to COVID-19. Metal and mineral products are needed for numerous important applications. Trail Operations produces a number of products that are used directly in essential applications such as production of medical equipment, including instrument panels, thermal scan thermometers, food

sterilization, and municipal water treatment processes. In many cases, Trail Operations is one of a few, and in some cases the only, North American suppliers.

In addition, maintaining jobs and economic activity to the extent possible – while taking the necessary preventative steps – will support the long-term economic and social recovery of our local communities in the wake of COVID-19.

We are monitoring all aspects of this situation and will continue to adapt measures so that we protect the health and safety of our employees, their families and our community.

### **About Teck Trail Operations**

Teck Metals Ltd. Trail Operations represents one of the world's largest fully integrated zinc and lead smelting and refining complexes. Trail's metallurgical operations also produce a variety of precious and specialty metals, chemicals and fertilizer products.

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